



# AIR vaccination provider transition from authentication file to PRODA

On 1 July 2019, the Department of Human Services (DHS) will begin the transition from authentication file to Provider Digital Access (PRODA) to access the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) site via Health Professional Online Services (HPOS).

AIR will roll out the transition until June 2020. AIR will send a letter to providers ahead of the changes.

AIR vaccination providers with a Medicare provider number (i.e. medical practitioners, nurse practitioners and midwives) can already create a PRODA account.

There are 8,400 AIR vaccination providers with a Medicare provider number using their authentication file to access the AIR site. Over half of these providers already have a PRODA account and are using it to access other DHS services.

The key dates are:

<b>1 July 2019</b>	DHS will notify 8,400 AIR vaccination providers with a Medicare provider number that they will only be able to use PRODA to access the AIR site via HPOS from 31 August 2019.
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<b>31 August 2019</b>	DHS will switch off authentication files for AIR vaccination providers with a Medicare provider number on 30 August 2019.
	All AIR vaccination providers with a Medicare provider number must use PRODA to access the AIR site via HPOS from 31 August 2019.

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From 1 October 2019, all new AIR ancillary providers must use PRODA to access the AIR site via HPOS. From this date, the AIR **will not** issue authentication files.

AIR will roll out the transition to PRODA for **existing** ancillary providers from October 2019 until June 2020.

The first group of existing ancillary providers to transition to PRODA is:

- state/territory health departments
- Public Health Units (PHUs)
- Primary Health Networks (PHNs)

The key dates are:

<b>1 October 2019</b>	PRODA will become available for state/territory health departments, PHUs and PHNs.
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<b>20 January 2020</b>	AIR will switch off authentication files for all state/territory health departments, PHUs and PHNs on 19 January 2020.
	These providers must use PRODA to access the AIR site via HPOS from 20 January 2020.

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AIR will provide further advice about the transition of other AIR ancillary providers in late 2019.